

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A washing machine, comprising:

a laundry tub in which laundry is put;

an ion eluting portion for eluting metal ions and adding the eluted metal ions to water;

a sensing portion for sensing imbalance at the time of rotation of the laundry tub; and

~~in a case where imbalance in the laundry tub is sensed by the sensing portion at the time of spin-drying rotation of the laundry tub performed after metal ion added water supplied from the ion eluting portion to the laundry tub is supplied,~~

an imbalance ~~the imbalance~~ correcting portion that performs a balance correction rinsing when the imbalance is detected in the laundry tub at the time of spin-drying of the laundry tub by the sensing portion, the imbalance correcting portion selectively performing one of,

a first balance correction rinsing in which water containing no metal ion is supplied to the laundry tub when no metal ion was supplied to the laundry tub prior to the spin-drying rotation, and agitation is performed, and performs a second processing different from a first processing performed when imbalance is sensed in a case where the metal ion added water is not supplied, and

a second balance correction rinsing in which water containing metal ion is supplied to the laundry tub when metal ion was supplied to the laundry tub prior to the spin-drying rotation, and agitation is performed ~~the second processing, is balance correction rinsing in which the metal ion added water is supplied to the laundry tub and agitation is performed.~~

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) A washing machine according to claim 1,
wherein the imbalance correcting portion sets an amount of supply of the metal ion added
water to the laundry tub in the second balance ~~the balance~~ correction rinsing so as to be smaller
than an amount of supply of the metal ion added water in a preceding operation.

4. (Currently Amended) A washing machine according to claim 1,
wherein the imbalance correcting portion sets an amount of supply of the metal ion added
water to the laundry tub in the second balance ~~the balance~~ correction rinsing so as to be smaller
than an amount of supply of the metal ion added water in a preceding operation.

5. (Previously Presented) A washing machine according to claim 1,
wherein the laundry tub is a drum disposed so that a rotation axis thereof is slanted with
respect to a vertical direction.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Previously Presented) A washing machine according to claim 3,
wherein the laundry tub is a drum disposed so that a rotation axis thereof is slanted with
respect to a vertical direction.

8. (Previously Presented) A washing machine according to claim 4,

wherein the laundry tub is a drum disposed so that a rotation axis thereof is slanted with respect to a vertical direction.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Previously Presented) A washing machine according to claim 1, wherein
the imbalance correcting portion, performs, prior to the second balance correction rinsing,
balance

~~when the sensing portion detects imbalance in the laundry tub at the time of spin-drying rotation of the laundry tub performed after the metal ion added water supplied from the ion eluting portion to the laundry tub is supplied,~~

~~the imbalance correcting portion performs imbalance correction by agitation without the metal ion added water being supplied, and~~

performs the second balance correction rinsing when the sensing portion ~~still detects~~
~~detects~~ imbalance in the laundry tub at the time of spin-drying rotation performed thereafter, the imbalance correcting portion performs the second processing.